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After carefully reviewing the penalties that MS will incur, I firmly believe the structure of the settlement is totally flawed. I cannot tell whether this is a case of George W. Bush influencing the case because of his donor relationships or non-technical lawyers making technical judgment calls because of lack of focus from the Justice Dept. The impression it leaves, however, is that the Justice Department under Ashcroft's lack-of-leadership can be bought. So much for his ethical stance.

I'm disgusted by this pandering to a blatant monopoly. I firmly support the other states in their stance against this settlement.

This is my opinion and does not necessarily reflect that of my employer.

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